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of the 12th Border Guard Brigade

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report dealing with the order of
Battle of the 1st Battalion, located in Zandov, of the 12th Border
Guard Brigade at Plana, near Marianske Lazne. The report includes
information on the organization of the unit, arms and equipment
available, personality data on leading officers, and location and
description of battalion installations.

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CZECHOSLOVAKIA**Military/Political****Order of Battle of the 1st Battalion of the Frontier Guard at ZANDOV, of the 12th Frontier Guard Brigade at PLANA****1. Organisation**

- a) The 1st Battalion, ZANDOV, is part of the 12th Brigade, PLANA, near MARIANSKE LAZNE, and its sector of the frontier adjoins that of the 9th Brigade at CHER.
- b) The Companies subordinate to the 1st Battalion are:
 - No. 1 Company
 - No. 2 Company, DYLEN; the left-hand contact point for this sector is boundary stone No. 10.
 - No. 3 Company, MOHEJNO, guarding a sector 6,850 m long; this is the strongest Company in the Brigade, 60 to 70 men.
 - No. 4 Company, SLATINA
- c) The Battalion is organised as follows:
 - HQ and Staff: 25 to 30 officers, and 15 regular NCOs
 - Signals Company: 1 NCO and about 15 national servicemen
 - Mounted Company: 1 officer and 20 national servicemen; 15 riding horses and two pairs of cart horses
- d) M/T Company: About 20 national servicemen
- e) Rear services Company: 50 national servicemen, including also cooks, clerks, QM personnel etc.
- f) General duties section: about 15 national servicemen, including masons, carpenters, tinmiths, etc, employed on building maintenance for the Battalion
- g) Bn. medical section: 1 doctor (national service, with the rank of lieutenant; 1 nurse (private, national service)

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2. Arms, equipment and vehicles**SECRET**

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- a) 3 GORYONOV HMGs, 7.62 mm
- 8 model 52, 7.62 mm IMGs
- 8 Czechoslovak anti-tank guns
- 80 model 52, 7.62 mm self-loading rifles

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50 model 24, 7.62 mm machine carbines
 45 model 52, 7.62 mm pistols
 600 RG 4 hand grenades

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- b) 2 R 25 transmitting and receiving sets
 1 stationary receiving set for contact between the Brigade and the Coys.
 1 mobile transmitting and receiving set
 1 telephone switchboard for about 80 lines
 1 telephone switchboard for 38 lines
 Handcuffs, flares, knives
 A large amount of ammunition, including some for Companies in the front line.

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c) Vehicles include:

1 TATRA 111
 4 V 3 S
 4 SKODA TUDOR jeeps
 2 private cars, TATRA PLAN and SKODA SEDAN, [redacted]
 [redacted] used by the military intelligence personnel.
 6 JAWA 250 cc motor cycles
 1 SKODA 1200 ambulance
 1 mobile radio station with TATRA body.

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3. Personnel

- a) CO of 1st Battalion: Captain MASEK, fnu, [redacted]

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- b) Head of Battalion intelligence section: Captain MATAS, fnu, [redacted]

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4. Location and layout of Battalion installations (see sketch)

The Battalion installations are concentrated in DOLNI ZANDOV, near MARIANSKE LAZNE, about 150 m West of the railway station, on a bend where the road crosses the railway line.

- 1) HQ, in a three-storeyed building on the South side of the road to ZANDOV, about 50 x 30 m, containing the HQ, Staff, store for arms and provisions, 2nd Section and military intelligence, telephone switchboard, and quarters for Rear services Company.
- 2) Garage, a new building on the South side of the HQ, masonry, ground-floor, 30 x 18 m.

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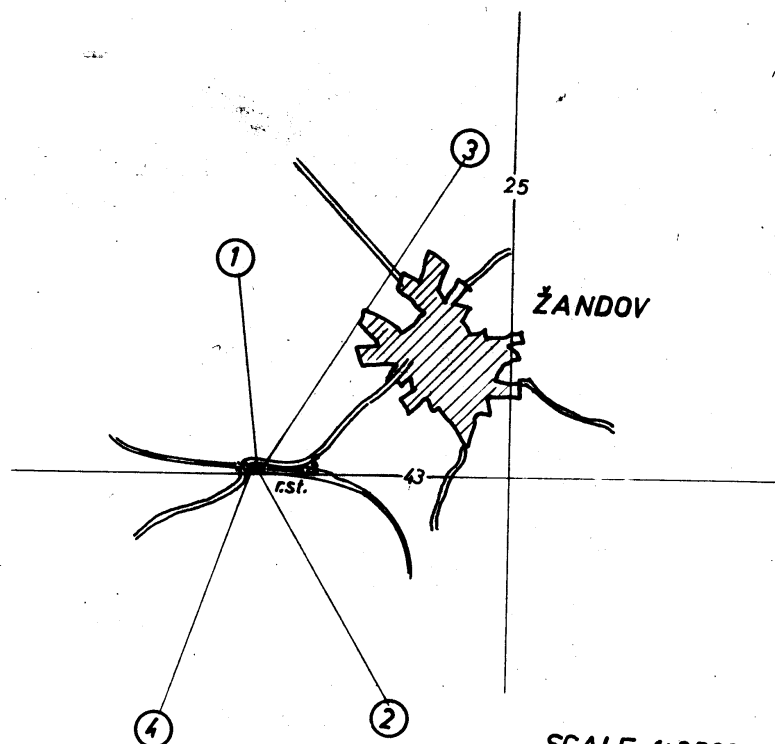
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- 3) QM stores despatching provisions to the Companies, in a one-storoyed fairly old building on the East side of No. (1), 15 x 10 m.
- 4) Battalion M.I. room, a new masonry, one-storoyed building West of No. (1), about 15 x 10 m.

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